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HYPERION

HYPERION IS THE LAST SURVIVOR OF HIS UNIVERSE. BEFORE THE DESTRUCTION OF HIS WORLD, HE LIVED BY THREE PRECEPTS: TRUTH WITHOUT COMPROMISE, THOUGHT WITHOUT ERROR, AND ALL THINGS FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE WHOLE. BUT NOW HE IS UNSURE OF HIS PLACE IN THIS NEW WORLD. IS HE A HERO? A MURDERER?

WHILE SEARCHING FOR ANSWERS, HYPERION RUNAWAY WHO BEGS FOR HIS HELP. PROTECTING SUPER-POWERED CARNIES. HYPERION AND MURDER SCENE THAT IS INEXPLICABLY TIED

MEETS DOLL, A YOUNG HER FROM MYSTERIOUS, DOLL STUMBLE ACROSS A TO HER PURSUERS.

FOLLOWING A TRAIL LEFT BEHIND BY THE AND DOLL FIND AN ABANDONED HOUSE IN THEY WERE AMBUSHED!

MURDERER, HYPERION THE WOODS -- WHERE

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IT'S THE
LITTLE
THINGS.

IT'S THE LITTLE
THINGS THAT CAN
BRING DOWN THE
BIG THINGS.

I WAS ALWAYS
GOOD AT FIXING
STUFF, LIKE MY
MOM'S OLD BUICK
OR THE FRITZING
TOASTER IN THE
KITCHEN.

AT THE CARNIVAL
THAT'S WHAT
THEY HAD ME DO.
FIXING THINGS.
LIKE THAT OLD
FERRIS WHEEL.



A SINGLE SCREW OUT
OF PLACE WOULD'VE
MADE THE BASKET
DROP. TWO YOUNG
LOVERS HOLDING
HANDS AND THEN--

--SQUEAK,
BANG,
CRASH.

ONE LITTLE SCREW
GOES BYE-BYE AND
THE WHOLE BIG
THING COMES
CRASHING DOWN.

IT HOLDS TRUE
WITH OTHER
THINGS, TOO...

...ANTS CAN
KILL AN
ELEPHANT.

(ACTUALLY, HERE'S SOME
TRIVIA: ALL THE ANTS IN ALL
THE WORLD WEIGH MORE
THAN ALL THE ELEPHANTS.)



ONE BIRD CAN
BRING DOWN AN
ENTIRE PLANE.



AN ITTY-BITTY
PIECE OF LEAD
CAN MAKE
HISTORY.



AND
WORMS?

WORMS
CAN CONQUER
A GOD.



WE TRACKED A DEAD
COUPLE'S KILLER TO
THIS HOUSE AND
THE KILLER IS...

...WELL, HE'S
MADE OF
FREAKING
WORMS.

I HAVE TO DO
SOMETHING, BUT
WHAT? I'M JUST
LITTLE ME AND
HYPERION IS--



--A GUY
WHOSE EYES
ARE PUKING
HOT LASERS.

HE'S OUT OF CONTROL!
THEY'RE EATING HIM UP
FROM THE INSIDE OUT!
HE'S GOING TO KILL ME
IF I CAN'T HELP HIM.

BWOOOOOOSH



HOLD
UP.

WHAT WAS I
SAYING ABOUT
A FRITZING
TOASTER?







THAT MONSTER IS THE KILLER. HE KILLED THAT YOUNG COUPLE. WE NEED TO STOP HIM.

I DRAGGED YOU INTO THIS. YOU DON'T NEED TO HELP. YOU'RE HURT. AND NOW IT CONNECTS TO THE CARNIVAL....

NO.

I'LL SEE THIS THROUGH.

WHY? WHY HELP? I SAID YOU CAN GO.

MY FATHER WANTED ME TO BE A TEACHER, A LEADER. HE RAISED ME ON THREE PRINCIPLES--

"--TRUTH WITHOUT COMPROMISE."

"THOUGHT WITHOUT ERROR."

"ALL THINGS FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE WHOLE."

"HE WOULD HAVE ME KILL ONE TO SAVE ONE THOUSAND."

"BUT NOW I'M LOST, AND I'M TIRED OF KILLING. I WONDER IF FATHER WAS RIGHT OR IF HE MISUNDERSTOOD PEOPLE."

OR IF I'M JUST NOT UP TO THE TASK.



NOW I
JUST WANT TO
CONCENTRATE ON
ONE THING. ONE
SMALL THING.

I CAN HELP
YOU. I CAN HELP
THAT MURDERED
GIRL'S
FATHER.

I CAN
STOP A KILLER
INSTEAD OF
BEING ONE.



GOOD
SPEECH, I'LL GIVE
YOU THAT. OKAY.
WE'LL DO THIS. BUT
FIRST, YOU NEED
SOME REST.

FIRST, I
NEED TO KNOW
ABOUT THE CARNIVAL.
THAT KILLER CONNECTS
TO THE CARNIVAL, AND
SO DO YOU. CONNECTIONS
MATTER. I NEED TO
KNOW WHAT
THEY ARE.



I...I
DON'T KNOW
WHAT THEY
WANT WITH
ME.



YOU'RE
LYING.

YOU HESITATED.
YOUR LIP TWITCHED.
YOU SWALLOWED
BEFORE SPEAKING. YOU
LOOKED UP AND TO THE
RIGHT, ACCESSING THE
CREATIVE PART OF
YOUR BRAIN.

THESE TICS,
THESE EXPRESSIONS,
THEY TAKE ONLY
1/125TH OF A SECOND,
BUT I SEE THEM. I CAN
SEE THE LIE ON YOU
LIKE A SPREADING
STAIN.



I...
OKAY.

OKAY.

I
HAD A
MOM...





"HE SAID
I WORKED FOR
HIM NOW.

"JUNIOR KNEW MOM
FIXED THINGS. HE
FIGURED I COULD FIX
THINGS, TOO. LIKE
MOTHER, LIKE
DAUGHTER.



"I WAS REAL
GOOD AT IT,
TOO. I FELL
INTO IT.

"I TRIED TO
RUN AWAY A
BUNCH A TIMES,
BUT HERE'S
THE THING...



"...THE CARNIVAL
TRAVELS AROUND THE
COUNTY. JUNIOR USES
IT AS A...BASE OF
OPERATIONS FOR THIS
GROUP HE RUNS.

"HE CALLS THEM THE
'CHILDREN OF LIBERTY.'
LIKE THEY'RE SOME
FREEDOM-LOVING MILITIA.

"ALL I'VE SEEN THEM DO
IS SELL GUNS AND DRUGS,
RUN CONS, FORCE GOOD
PEOPLE TO GIVE THEM
PROTECTION MONEY.



"THEY OWN PEOPLE.
POLITICIANS. COPS.



"ANY TIME I RAN
AWAY, THE COPS
FOUND ME, AND
THEY BROUGHT ME
RIGHT BACK TO
JUNIOR.



"THEN HE'D LOCK ME
IN THE DUNK TANK
OVERNIGHT TO PUNISH
ME. SOMETIMES
LONGER. LONGEST
WAS THREE DAYS."



I'M SORRY.
I HAD NO
IDEA.

HOW DID
YOU FIND
ME?

WHADDYA
GONNA DO? THAT'S
WHY I NEEDED YOU.
JUNIOR'S GOT THIS
WHOLE COUNTY FOLDED
UP AND TUCKED IN
HIS POCKET.



"NOBODY PAYS
ATTENTION
TO A CARNIE,
YOU OVERHEAR
THINGS..."

"I HEARD ENOUGH
ABOUT YOU TO
START THINKING
YOU WERE REAL.

"AND THAT I
COULD FIND
YOU."



"WHAT ABOUT
THE FREAKS?
WHERE DID
JUNIOR FIND
THEM?"

"JUNIOR DIDN'T
FIND THEM. HE
MADE THEM.

"IT'S THE HAUNTED
HOUSE. SOME
PEOPLE GO IN
THERE AND THEY
NEVER COME OUT.

"OTHERS GO IN
AND THEY COME
OUT CHANGED.

"THEY GET
POWERS. LIKE
THE FREAKS.

"JUNIOR SAID I'D GET TO
GO IN THERE SOMEDAY. MY
'BECOMING,' HE CALLED
IT. THAT DAY WAS SOON.
MY 17TH BIRTHDAY. BUT I
DIDN'T WANT TO GO SO I
RAN. I FOUND YOU."



**THE CROWN MOTEL.
VALENTINE COUNTY.
LATER.**





THE CARNIVAL.







THEY WAS IN LOVE AND IT WAS SO SWEET AND THEN I THOUGHT, I CAN NEVER HAVE THAT, NO SIR...



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SONOFA...

HOW MANY IS THIS NOW? EIGHT BODIES? TEN? I'M GONNA HAVE TO CLEAN THIS UP LIKE I CLEANED UP ALL THE OTHERS.

YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO BE LOOKING FOR MY BABY GIRL.

I'M SORRY, JUNIOR.



YOUR... YOUR FRIENDS AREN'T HERE, ARE THEY?

NO, THEY'RE OUT LOOKING FOR MY BABY GIRL AS WE SPEAK, LIKE THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO.



"BUT THEY'LL BE BACK SOON ENOUGH."

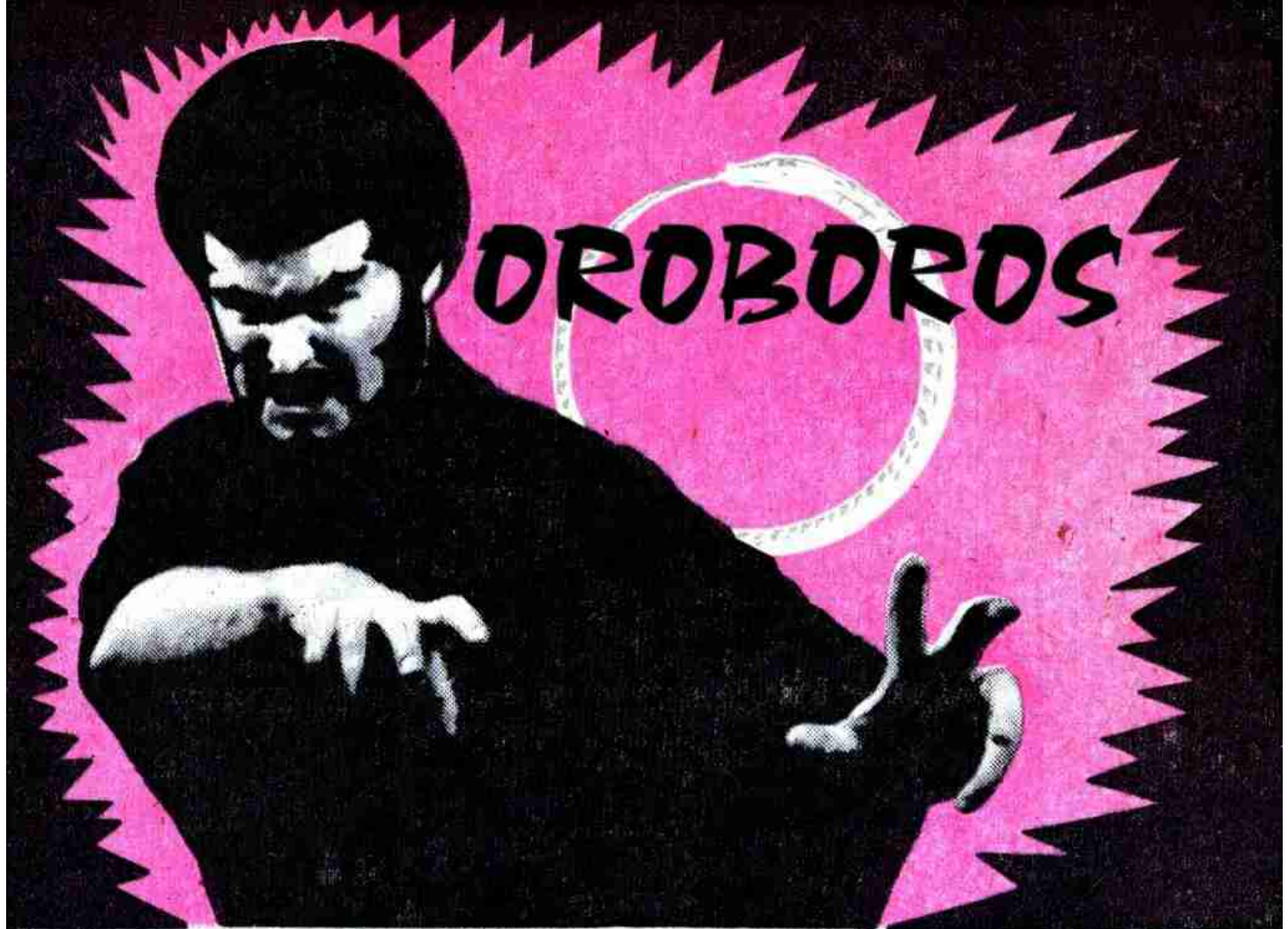
WE'RE LOOKING FOR A GIRL, GOES BY THE NAME OF DOLL! STEP RIGHT UP AND SPEAK THE TRUTH!



I GOT A BUSINESS TO RUN--YOU REMEMBER IT? ONE THAT POPS LEFT US? ONE I HAVE TO RUN MYSELF BECAUSE YOU'RE A MANURE FIRE?

THE HOUSE WAS SUPPOSED TO IMPROVE YOU, NOT TURN YOU INTO... THIS.

I...I SAW DOLL, I SAW HER, JUNIOR.



OROBOROS

DEADLIEST MAN ALIVE

Oroboros is the undefeated Supreme Grand Master of the Fighting Arts. Oroboros won the World Overall Fighting Arts Championship (Master & Expert Divisions) after defeating the world's top Masters of JUDO, BOXING, WRESTLING, KUNG-FU, KARATE, AIKIDO, etc. in Death Matches. On Aug. 1, 1967, the World Federation of Fighting Arts crowned Oroboros "THE WORLD'S DEADLIEST FIGHTING ARTS CHAMPION AND MASTER."

NOW...

The World's
DEADLIEST
FIGHTING
SECRETS
Can Be Yours
...

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the group

MAIL GUARANTEED NO-RISK COUPON NOW!

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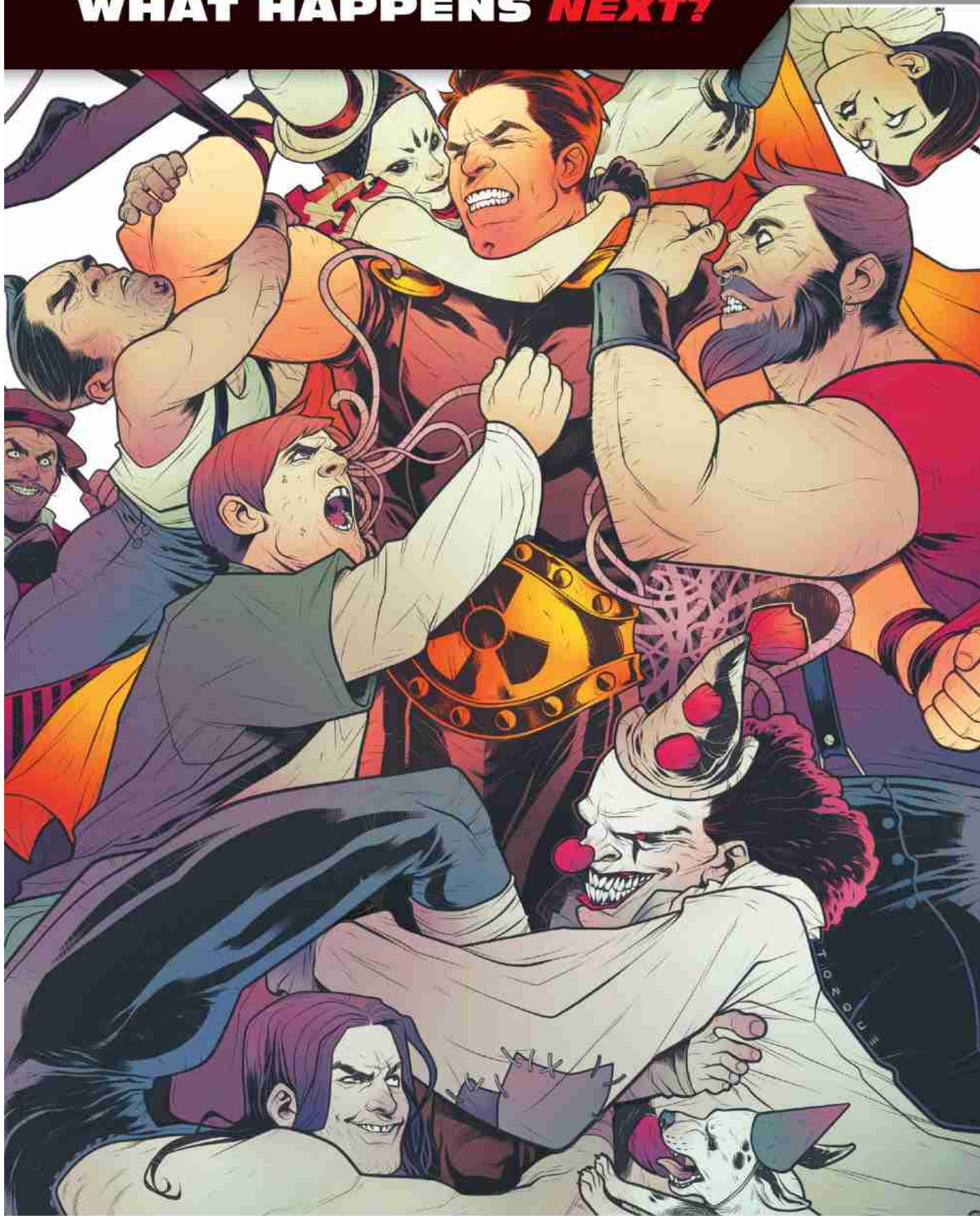


HELLO,
JUNIOR. IS
THIS A BAD
TIME?

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THE HAUNTED
HOUSE IS CALLING!

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**YOU WANT TO KNOW
WHAT HAPPENS *NEXT?***



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